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APPROVED RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Secretary of Defense and the Director of Central Intelligence:

25X1 1. Approve the National Tasking Plan for the Exploitation of  as set forth in Appendix M, and direct its implementation.

2. Concur in identifying the United States Intelligence Board as the authority responsible for monitoring and coordinating the implementation and execution of the National Tasking Plan. Request that the Intelligence Board establish a new Committee on Imagery Exploitation (COMEX) or some similar instrumentality under the Board's cognizance, to perform the particular functions which are described in the draft Director of Central Intelligence Directive as presented in Appendix Q.

3. Direct the dissolution of the NPIC Committee on Photographic Exploitation Equipment (COPE) and the NPIC Advisory Committee (ADCOM), and direct their reconstitution as subcommittees of the proposed new Committee of the U.S. Intelligence Board.



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5. Approve, for initial planning purposes, the concept for resource allocation based on target coverage requiring exploitation and



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direct adoption and further refinement of the proposed methodology set forth in Appendix N as a common basis for forecasting imagery interpreter needs under the National Tasking Plan. This methodology should then be modified or amended as required in light of intelligence community experience in applying it.

6. Direct that the guidelines for imagery interpreter resource levels, as set forth in Appendix N, be accepted as goals for FY 67 and 68 and that NPIC, CIA/IAD and DIAAP-IP re-evaluate their respective total resource needs for FY 67 and 68 accordingly. Further, direct that the proposed new Committee of the U.S. Intelligence Board, in accordance with participants in this plan, develop a uniform methodology to be utilized by the participants in computing their respective needs for imagery interpretation support resources.

7. Direct that plans for the construction of a new NPIC building be re-evaluated based on the National Tasking Plan and the resources required for its implementation. Approve and accelerate such construction as may be required to insure early availability of facilities adequate to accommodate additional personnel assigned to organizations participating in the National Tasking Plan.

8. Charge the NPIC, in accordance with the National Tasking Plan, with providing common support to Basic Support Exploitation activities conducted in the Washington area.

9. Direct that consideration be given to tasking the 4203rd Reconnaissance Technical Squadron under the DOD Plan for the Exploitation [redacted] The 544th ARTWRC should continue to be tasked under the DOD Plan.

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10. Direct that the authorities responsible for collection programs take special care to insure that key personnel who are responsible for imagery exploitation and intelligence production are advised of on-coming programs in an adequate and timely manner. This information should be utilized to prepare realistic and accurate forecasts of future personnel and equipment needs, as well as to provide a basis for determining the impact of future reconnaissance capabilities upon currently assigned missions of imagery interpretation organizations. The

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proposed new USIB Committee should provide the focal point for channeling such information.

11. Direct that the Community On-Line Intelligence System (COINS) planning effort accord priority support to the proposed new USIB committee during the implementation and execution of the National Tasking Plan.

12. Direct that the proposed new USIB Committee examine and make recommendations with respect to (a) the findings of the R&D sub-panel of the JIIRG, as set forth in Appendix O, (b) the findings of the JIIRG concerning ADP and Automation, as set forth in Appendix P, and (c) the need for a study of imagery interpreter proficiency requirements, comparable career development opportunities, grade levels, and training needs, at the national level in light of on-coming reconnaissance systems.

13. Direct the proposed new USIB committee actively to support on-going efforts at the national level to balance the intelligence production, collection requirements, imagery acquisition, and imagery exploitation cycle.

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